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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on November 28, 2003, Applicant elects the invention of Group I with the stipulation that, if linking claims 2 and 3 are allowable, the Office will examine Groups I-X (claims 1-10) in this case. Applicant further elects the following species for initial examination: PEDF (Groups I, II, VI, and VII), superoxide dismutase (Groups III and VIII), and alpha-mannosidase (Groups IV and IX). The election is made with traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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